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Police seek man in odd break-in

CRIME Halifax Regional Police are looking for a man who walked into a woman's unlocked apartment on Walnut Street Saturday night, then stood over her as she slept.

When the young woman

When the young woman woke up, she found the man standing over her and yelled at him till he ran away.

Staff Sgt. Don Fox said it's not clear if he walked into the wrong apartment or was trying to sneak into hers.

The suspect is a white man, 19 or 20 years old, wearing blue jeans and a black shirt.

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Court finds Race guilty



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A man fights through high winds and rain created by Storm Kyle in Yarmouth yesterday.

Kyle weak next to Juan

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In a way, Kyle marked a sad anniversary as it pummeled the Maritimes with wind and rain last night.

Today is the fifth anniversary of hurricane Juan, which was responsible for eight deaths, including metro paramedic John Rossiter.

But Kyle, which started out as a hurricane, was puny compared to Juan, said Peter Bowyer, program supervisor at the Canadian Hurricane Cen"The damage from a Category 2 hurricane is way more than the damage of a Category 1 hurricane."

Peter Bowyer

Juan was a category-two hurricane, while Kyle was a Category 1 hurricane before it downgraded into a tropical storm.

The wind difference between the two is 'exponential,' Bowyer said.

"The damage from a Category 2 hurricane is way more than the damage of a Category 1 hurricane," he said.

But Bowyer didn't want

people to relax. He said with all the foliage still out, he said Kyle could down many trees and branches

"Trees come down, a lot of limbs come down and you have other issues like infrastructure and power lines," Bowyer said.

"When the foliage is out like it is right now, we know that can be a lot of fall for trees."

Massive winds hit Halifax

Kyle makes detour into N.S.

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Hurricane Kyle, which was supposed to hit New Brunswick, made a late turn to Nova Scotia last night.

The storm's track changed, clipping the western edge of the province before heading towards New Brunswick to dump most

of its rain. "We would be on what The Yarmouth we'd call the windy area was ex-side of the storm." made present know Metro

pected to Bob Robichaud get most of the damage anyway, since ro

the damage anyway, since a high tide was predicted to join with Kyle to create a powerful storm surge. Environment Canada ex-

Environment Canada expected water levels to rise over a metre above the tide, causing coastal flooding, erosion and damage to properties in Yarmouth and Shelbourne counties. "Things could line up

"Things could line up and give some potential grief along the coastline," said Peter Bowyer, a Canadian Hurricane Centre program supervisor, yesterday morning.

"That's the only area on the map here we're concerned about in regards to issues on the coastal area." Halifay was put under a

Halifax was put under a wind warning since Kyle

barrelled into Nova Scotia with hurricane-force winds, Rain in the city was not expected to reach the 50-millimetre rainfall warning level, but 90 km/h winds were predicted. "We would be on what

"We would be on what we'd call the windy side of the storm," said Bob Robichaud, of Environment Canada. "It should settle down early (this) morning as the storm moves away."

But Kyle made its presence known in Metro last night. Po-

lice closed a road as a precaution because metal sheeting was flying off the roof of the Victoria General hospital.

As of press time, Nova Scotia Power stated there were no major outages in the metro area.

At 9 p.m., Kyle was 30 kilometres southwest of Yarmouth and still at huricane strength with sustained winds of 120 km/h.

The Canadian Hurricane Centre in Dartmouth said they were still calling Kyle a hurricane because of its intensity and speed.

But Kyle was expected to slow as it entered the Bay of Fundy and turn into a post-tropical storm as it moved over southeastern New Brunswick.



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To find out if you're eligible to vote for the Halifax Regional School Board, The African Nova Scotian Member of the Regional School Board and the Conseil scolaire acadien provincial (CSAP) visit us at www.halifax.ca/election or contact the election office (see contact information below).

How do I know who is running for election?

All candidates must officially declare they are running for election by September 9, 2008. A list of officials and their contact information can be found by visiting the HRM

website at www.halifax.ca/election or contact the election office (see contact information below).



How do I know where to vote?

Voters who have placed their name on the official elector list as of August 22, 2008 will receive a Voter Notification Letter by mail during the last week of September. This letter will provide information on your voting options, polling location and official PIN and instructions for e-voting.

Persons whose name does not appear on the official List of Electors will be required to appear in person to take an affidavit prior to voting.

All polling locations and dates can be found at www.halifax.ca/ election.

How can I vote?

Internet or Phone

 Use your Personal Identification Number (PIN) with instructions provided on your Voter Notification Letter and vote anytime from Saturday, October 4 starting at 8:00 am until Monday, October 6 ending at 8:00 pm

Vote in Person

- Advance Polls Saturday, October 11 and Tuesday, October 14 from 12:00 pm (noon) to 8:00 pm
- Election Day Polls Saturday, October 18 from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm

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Linda Grant Municipal Returning Officer

Local



Watch out, world

There she is, Miss Nova Scotia. Two young entrepreneurs are starting up a Miss Nova Scotia World competition. Thirteen contestants will duke it out on Oct. 12th and the winner will compete in the Miss World Canada competition.

Halifax Reptile Expo thrills and chills

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Some were green, some were yellow, some had four legs, and some had none.

Whatever their shape and size, the hundreds of reptiles flicking their tongues at the First Annual Halifax Reptile Expowere a big hit with the kids — if not their parents.

"Kids have no fear," said Kelly Lynn Martell, 20, a member of the Safe Haven Reptile Society. "The parents will stay

"The parents will stay back and push their kids forward. After they might come up and give them a little pat."

Dozens of owners, breeders, and vendors were at the event. Martell said they want to educate people, giving them a chance to experience the reptile personalities.

"They can be dangerous, but as long as (owners) are informed properly they're perfectly safe animals." Martell said.

The group rescues abandoned reptiles. Allison

"They can be dangerous, but as long as [owners] are informed properly they're perfectly safe animals."

Kelly Lynn Martell, member of Safe Haven Reptile Society

MacLean said some owners think reptiles are cool, but don't know what they're getting into.
"Sometimes they're not

"Sometimes they're not in very good condition," MacLean said. "Safe Haven will rehabilitate them and give them loving homes."

For MacLean, the best part of a reptile show, is getting people into contact with the animals.

"There's nothing like watching a person touch a snake for the first time," she said.

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Ethan Anderson, 15, covered with five ball pythons at the First Annual Halifax Reptile Exhibition at Dalhousie University yesterday.

www.peterkelly.ca



Race guilty in U.S. murder

A Nova Scotia man has been convicted of first-degree murder in the U.S., and now Crown prosecutors want Glen Race to face a pair of murder charges on this side of the border.

"We do believe quite firmly that Mr. Race should be brought back to answer to the murder charges in the death of Trevor Brewster and Paul Knott," prosecution service spokeswoman, Chris Hansen said.

On Friday, Race, 27, was convicted of killing Darcy Manor in New York state. The paranoid schizophrenic was also convicted of burglary and grand larceny.

"We, as a family, are very discouraged by the outcome of the trial," Race's brother, Doug, said. "We will continue to strive toward the health and well-being of our

family member.'

Nova Scotia prosecutors want to charge Race with the murders of Cole Harbour's Trevor Brewster, 45, and Timberlea's Paul Knott, 44. The murders happened before race fled to the U.S., where he killed Manor.

Race will have to be extradited to face the charges. U.S. officials say they have no problem sending him to Nova Scotia to stand trial, but they want him to serve his sentence in the U.S.

Race's family want him to do his jail time in Canada. Race's Halifax attorney, loel Pink, said a decision to

Joel Pink, said a decision to talk to the media will be made today.

Race will be sentenced in U.S. court on Dec. 9. He faces a maximum of life in prison.

DEVIN STEVENS/

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News in brief

OPTICS Last week, the Valley
Community Fibre Network was
connected. VCFN board members and other stakeholders
gathered in the Kings County
council chambers, where a live
video feed from the basement
showed the connection being
made. The VCFN is a community-owned and operated 72strand, 186 km-long fibre optica
network.

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What's online today.

Read Guidy Mamann on the legal status of proxy marriages from other countries at www.metronews.ca/live Watch as Jim Flaherty says voters care more about schools than income trusts at www.metronews.ca/canada Play online Sudoku and Crosswords!

Lotteries

Friday, Sept. 26

Super 7 10, 15, 16, 25, 29, 41 & 43. Bonus 12. Saturday, Sept. 27

Lotto 6/49 11, 19, 29, 33, 44 & 46. Bonus 34. These results are not official.

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- ➤ Be alert for pedestrians who appear indecisive or inattentive.
- Do not pass slowed or stopped vehicles in the lane next to yours until you are sure no pedestrians are crossing.
- Take extra care when driving at night or in bad weather—pedestrians can be hard to see.
- Fines for speeding in a school zone are double and range from \$452 to \$1487, including court costs

Pedestrians

- Use marked crosswalks, when available.
- Obey pedestrian traffic signs.
- Make eye contact with motorists before crossing the street to ensure they see you.
- Check for approaching or turning traffic, even when you have a "Walk" signal or crossing light.
- Give approaching vehicles time to stop before you enter the roadway—allow extra time and distance in bad weather.
- Yield to vehicles when crossing at a location other than a crosswalk—whether marked or unmarked, crosswalks exist at every intersection.

local

Beazley Field mural to be unveiled Get a look at the mural at Beazley Field in Dartmouth today. It will be unveiled in a ceremony at noon.

Elton delights delirious fans | IWK Health Centre to start

Music legend generates near-hysteria at sold-out show



Elton John greets his fans as he steps onto the stage on Friday night for the first of two weekend shows at the Metro Centre.

PAUL MCLEOD paul.mcleod@metronews.ca

Apparently, Elton John's music is so powerful it could cause riots.

The very first note of Bennie and the Jets caused dozens of people to flood forward to the foot of the stage at the Metro Centre Friday night, assigned seating be damned.

This is a guy who, armed with only a piano and fabu-lousness, took people from

crying to spasmodic dancing to screaming like 13year-old girls in one evening. There's a reason seats sold out in like eight seconds and people were offering their first-borns on Kijiji for tickets.

"I was in Halifax once before when the Concorde broke down," he said after kicking things off with Your Song. "It's much nicer to be here to play for you in person."

And man, did he play. Sir Elton came on at eight and performed for almost three hours. He sang hits like Rocket Man, Tiny Dancer and I'm Still Standing, and for his efforts he received 21 standing ova-

The lighters came out en masse when he began Candle in the Wind (the original version, not the Princess Diana one.) People who didn't have the foresight to bring lighters turned on their cellphones Blackberries waved those instead.

Anyone who worried the show would be muted by the lack of a backup band was quickly proven wrong. Aside from blistering piano solos, Sir Elton recruited the audience to belt out the "na na na na na's" on Crocodile Rock.

If there's one moment that encompassed the show, it was that song, with over 10,000 deliriously excited fans all in tune with each other, unable to stay in their seats and soaking up the love.

locking its doors at night

RACHEL BOOMER

SECURITY The days of surprise after-hours visits at the IWK Health Centre are

Starting Tuesday, every door at the IWK Health Centre — except the emergency room - will be locked after 8 p.m.

A security officer will be stationed at the Women's Centre door so women in labour won't have to wait, says Allan Horsburgh, the hospital's vice-president of operations and support.

He said families have been asking for tighter security. There have been purses and electronics stolen from patient rooms in the past.

No one has tried to take a child yet, but Horsburgh doesn't want to take that chance.

"We've been very fortunate that something large hasn't happened. But if a small thing can happen, "We've been very fortunate that something large hasn't happened. But if a small thing can happen, perhaps something large could happen."

Allan Horsburgh

perhaps something large could happen," Horsburgh

After 8 p.m., visitors will have to announce themselves to security and give a patient's name. Staff at the unit will ask if the patient wants to see that person. If they don't, Hors-burgh said, the visitor won't make it through the

The new security measure doesn't come in response to any particular incident, Horsburgh said. It's simply part of an ongoing security tune-up.

News in brief

LIQUOR THEFT A man who tried to steal a case of suds from the Clyde Street liquor store yesterday afternoon was hunted down by police dogs. He was caught hiding in a vehicle near Queen Street.

ROBBERY A voung woman robbed the Tim Hortons on Main Street in Dartmouth yesterday at 12:22 p.m. The woman told the staff she had a weapon up her sleeve, though

no one saw one. She got some cash and fled on foot; a suspect was arrested shortly afterward.

CAR THEFT Police have arrested an adult man and two youths and charged them with stealing a car on Lacewood Drive in Halifax yesterday morning. Police tracked the car down on Sackville Drive near Beaverbank Road and stopped it at a red light. METRO HALIFAX

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If you are 18 years old or over and want more information, please contact the Research Coordinator at 902-473-5866 or via e-mail at Stephanie.Reidy@cdha.nshealth.ca

Concert Democracy 250 takes centre stage



Teens enjoy the Democracy 250 concert Saturday night in Halifax's Grand Parade. The concert featured Hedley, illScarlett, Jordan Croucher, Chad Hatcher and Dwight D'eon, among others,

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Digby is getting ready for the Aquaculture Harvest Festival on Oct. 4. Digby was picked this year because there are 16 aquaculture sites in the area. There will be free samples, a touch tank and entertainment. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Low-income needs a priority in Sackville-Eastern Shore

ROBYN YOUNG



Peter Stoffer, NDP candidate for Sackville-Eastern Shore and longtime MP, says he's fed up with the Conservative government's refusal to help Canadians with everyday costs.

"I get so frustrated that the government's sitting there saying, 'There's nothing we can do' or, 'We're doing everything we can'," he said.

"To be honest with you, that's absolute bullsh—t."

The seasoned MP says what he's hearing at the doorstep is seniors and low-income families with children, concerned about

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how they're going to get through the winter.

With the combination of Premier Rodney MacDonald's removal from the spring budget of the province's eight per cent tax rebate on home heating and Nova Scotia Power Inc.'s nine per cent rate hike, Stoffer says he doesn't know how some families in his riding will manage.

Tory candidate David Montgomery has the same concerns as his opponent.

"Everyone's worried about jobs and everyone's worried about the issues in the wallet," he said. "The

"Everyone's worried about jobs and everyone's worried about the issues in the wallet."

Conservative party candidate David Montgomery

price of food's gone up, the price of fuel ... everyone's stretched to the max."

Newcomer and Liberal candidate Carolyn Scott, as a longtime community volunteer, is focused on social programs such as health care, child care and affordable housing for low income families "If I had all the power, I'd bring in an affordable child care program very similar to the one in Quebec which seems to be light years ahead of us in terms of social developments," she said.

In Quebec, she said, child care is affordable and the spaces are available.

"They charge \$5 a day for daycare ... recently they put it up to the big sum of \$7 a day," she said.

Green Party candidate
Noreen Hartlen says
strengthening the economy through tax-shifting
and intergovernmental
collaboration designed to
stimulate "green"
economies is at the top of
the list for her party.



Deanna Foster, 24, signs copies of her first book, Hangings in Nova Scotia, at the Word on the Street book and magazine festival

Riding, candidate profiles: Sackville-Eastern Shore

Sackville-Eastern Shore covers 1,328 square kilometres and has a population of 86, 963. The region, with 67,000

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voters, is referred to as a "bedroom community" because its residents commute to Dartmouth or Halifax to work.

New Democrat incumbent Peter Stoffer has represented the riding since 1997, winning the position by a wide margin for the last 11 years.



David Montgomery
AGE: 34
PARTY: Conservative
POSITION: Business development for a transportation company

"They're (constituents) really concerned, especially the seniors, about the cost of heating ... they're quite concerned about what's going to come this winter"



Carolyn Scott
AGE: 65
PARTY: Liberal
POSITION: Full-time volunteer, former
nursing educator

"I was concerned enough about what's happening in the country and all the cuts that have been made to

social programs and the arts and child care.... I decided it was time to put my principles where my mouth is."



Peter Stoffer

AGE: 52

PARTY: NDP

POSITION: Elected to the House of Commons in 1997, re-elected in 2000, 2004 and 2006

"In Nova Scotia they've just announced a nine per cent increase to electricity rates and then Rodney

MacDonald's going to reinstate the tax — that's a 17.5 per cent increase. What the hell are people expected to do? My heart goes out to these people."



Noreen Hartlen AGE: 47 PARTY: Green

POSITION: Educator and entrepreneur

"The real test of public service is the degree to which the needs and wants of communities are taken into consideration, what sense of neglect and lack is experienced therein, and the state of constituents' well being. I implore electors to seriously and re-

alistically contemplate the economic, social, and environmental challenges we face collectively and individually without being fearful or mistrustful of cleaner, healthier, fairer, safer, and more co-operative alternatives."

Youth, writers find inspiration at lit fest



A Halifax author, who talks easily about grisly hangings, got a little emotional yesterday.

Deanna Foster was signing book after book at the Word on the Street festival yesterday when she struck up a conversation with a pair of 14-year-old girls.

"Her father came back and said 'you're an inspiration to my daughter.' That was one of the best feelings I've had," she said.

But how exactly does the first-time author of Hangings in Nova Scotia inspire teens?

"I think it's because I do look young and I am young so seeing another writer and connecting on a level

of youth is inspirational to them. I know it would be to me."

A fan for years, it was Foster's first time attending Word on the Street as an author.

"It's really important because people get to put a face to the author of the books," she said. "I really love people who are interested in talking about my book, or any book really."

Between 20,000 to 25,000 people took in the one-day event at the Cunard Centre yesterday.

"I think the weather's been ideal for us because it's not nice enough to go to the beach or to the park with your family," said event organizer Heather Gibson.

"There are a lot of families here this year."



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Family divided by slaying of 'Nanny Mom'

GLACE BAY The handwritten words 'Nanny Mom' have a permanent place on Danielle Gloade's tattooed wrist, in honour of her slain grandmother, Nora Bernard.

But the 24-year-old believes her family should forgive her brother, James Gloade, 25, for killing the native-rights activist.

James Gloade, 25, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in Truro provincial court this week. Danielle Gloade watched news reports of her brother's court appearance from her Glace Bay home, which showed him gesturing a middle finger to the crowd gathered at the courthouse.

"Nanny always wanted us to be a family.... She was always trying to pull us together."

Danielle Gloade

Family members, including their two aunts, spoke of hatred and resentment toward James, but Danielle believes her grandmother would have wanted her family to forgive.

"Nanny always wanted us to be a family. There was always something that divided us and she was always trying to pull us together," Danielle said. "I was so angry and I believed that he should be in jail for the rest of his life, but I had to do soul searching and I had to pray to Nanny and try to get answers."

After her grandmother's death, Danielle found several of her notes in a jewellery box, which she said prove Bernard's desire to protect her troubled grandson.

On one of the notes, dated Jan. 5, 1999, Bernard writes: "My dear God don't let them send him away because he will end up worse than what he is now."

Danielle said James was using drugs at the time of the crime, and that sexual abuse changed his personality.

THE CAPE BRETON POST

Teen girl found slain in Alberta town

Police in Edson, Alta., are looking for a killer after a teenage girl was found dead in the northwest part of the town early Saturday evening. CBC NEWS ONLINE

Puppy mill raided

A puppy mill in Rawdon, Que., was raided on Friday, where 110 dogs, seven cats and one rabbit were seized. The dogs were living in piles of their own feces, and many had open sores and severe skin conditions. No charges have been laid yet.

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Immigration plans on hold

Canada

The Conservatives seem to be waiting for a majority government before they revolutionize Canada's immigration system the way the Australians have, pollster Michael Adams said.

Wholesale and "highly controversial" changes to the immigration system have the potential to alienate foreign-born Canadians and, consequently, little has been done to address the country's steadily deteriorating system, Adams said.

Tracking has shown skilled immigrants to Canada are poorer and underemployed compared to those from decades past, and also compared to those in Australia — where a massive overhaul in 1999 resulted in significant changes, Immigrantificant changes, Immi

backlogs

 Canada's backlogs can keep migrants waiting six or seven years potential immigrants and a Statistics Canada study found the unemployment rate of immigrants in 2007 much higher and getting worse.

grants were screened more rigorously and an environment was established where 81 per cent of people were working in appropriate job quicker, all under the government of John Howard.

"Here's a government that admires many of the things of the conservative Australian government," Adams said of Harper's Tories. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Liberals Dion's birthday bash



Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion cuts a piece of his birthday cake after speaking at a rally celebrating women in politics during a campaign stop in Toronto yesterday. Dion turned 53 yesterday.

News in brie

AFGHANISTAN Two Canadian soldiers were injured Saturday in an attack by Taliban insurgents on a combat outpost in the Panjwaii district of southern Afghanistan, military officials said. One of the soldiers remains in serious but

stable condition. The other has been released from medical care.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Teen mom Tasered while holding baby

CONFRONTATION Police who Tasered a Vancouver teenager while she held her baby in her arms said they were worried that the girl, who they say is mentally disturbed, was going to smother her child

Const. Jana McGuinness said police had spent three hours trying to negotiate with Misha Peterson, 16, who had been reported missing from her foster home. She was eventually tracked down at the home of her boyfriend.

McGuinness said the baby has a life-threatening condition and Peterson refused to give him over to social service workers.

She added that Peterson was holding him in a way that that was making it difficult for him to breathe.

KRISTEN THOMPSON/METRO CANADA

HOW MUCH WAS YOUR PHONE BILL LAST MONTH?



At a women's rally in downtown Toronto for Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion there was finally a sign of wit and humour in an otherwise humourless campaign (for all parties), with T-shirts that read, "Women belong in the House." Buttons said, "It's a man's world, unless women vote." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE





Why campaign ads are loathed

'It's the only really dishonest kind of advertising that's left': Ad legend

here's a unifying theme to cam-paign ads: Everybody seems to hate them.

Politicians hate that they reduce complex issues to 30-second elevator pitches, a context better suited for cynicism, fear and doubt than for inspiring voters.

Voters hate them for two reasons. First, they're disingenuous: Even the most rabid partisan can't believe anyone is so completely good, any opponent so completely evil, as these ads portray. Second. and less forgivable: They don't entertain. Most are just plain bad.

Yet the ad industry hates them most of all because — no kidding — campaign ads are exempt from the rules that govern ad con-

Canadian ads are bound by a code set by Advertising Standards Canada, an industry-run body that fields consumer com-plaints and can request that offending ads be pulled or revised.

Campaign ads running right now routinely trash several provisions of the code, notably its decree that advertisers shalt not "unfairly discredit, disparage or attack other products, services, advertisements or companies, or exaggerate the nature or importance of competitive differences."



Ah, but who cares? Because the code expressly exempts campaign ads from its restrictions

American campaign ads have enjoyed similar immunity since the Supreme Court ruled they fall under the First Amendment right to free speech.

Campaign ads, then, enjoy freedom of speech, and the freedom to lie. Or at least to do to the truth what clowns do to long, skinny balloons. This is how the noun "swift boat" became a verb four years

University of Texas advertising professor Jef I. Richards once lamented: "The law requires a paper towel ad to be scrupulously honest, but allows political candidates to lie without reproach. What's wrong with this picture?"

Ad legend David Ogilyy went further: "Political advertising ought to be stopped. It's the only really dishonest kind of advertising that's left. It's totally dishonest."

The irony, of course, is that many of the campaign ads you see are the product

advertising teams, hand-picked from top agencies. The trouble key creative decisions are too often handed down to them by political strategists in party war rooms; people unwilling to take the calculated creative risks that distinguish great

advertising.
Which helps explain why campaign ads lower people's opinion of all advertising — if that's possi-ble — and why it leaves party leaders looking like exhausted hockey fighters waiting, in vain, for a linesman to break them up.

Mike Tennant is a freelance ad writer and co-creator/writer of Terry O'Reilly and the Age of Persuasion on CBC Radio One.

Debates Training for prime-time sparring

LEADERS Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion is hoping to land a knockout punch, NDP Leader Jack Layton says he'll be auditioning to be prime minister and Stephen Harper is just hoping to "survive."

Green Leader Elizabeth May, who had to fight to be included, is promising to mix things up.

It will be a political high-

wire act this week when Harper, Dion, Lavton, May and Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe take the stage at Ottawa's National Arts Centre for two political debates.

 The stakes are perhaps highest for Dion, aides are hoping can land some punches on Harper, especially on the economy, in a bid to turn around a flag-

Stakes

Either of

the debates — French on Wednesday and English on Thursday — could deliver the make-it or break-it moment of the campaign for any one of them.

ging

The stakes are so high that the parties have scaled back their campaigns this week to allow time to prepare. During mock debates, with stand-ins posing as the other leaders. they'll rehearse their responses and practise the zingers they hope will land a punch on their opponents.

Harper's goal will be just to survive the debate, a Conservative source said vesterday.

'It's a very hostile environment and they are both quite lengthy debates where I think virtually every exchange will be an attack from an opposition leader and a response from the prime minister," the strategist said. "To survive, come out of it standing, is really what one hopes to do when you're entering that kind of a hostile environment.

He said he doubts there will be any knockout blows, "but a lot of partisan sniping.

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Jim Flaherty says voters care more about schools than income trusts, at metronews.ca/Canada days remain until the 2008 Canadian

federal election

ayton aims to eliminate poverty by 2020

A New Democratic govern- ter his speech, Layton made ment would eliminate poverty in Canada within 12 years, NDP

Layton says.

Layton set time we finally put the ambitious an end to the target in his party's \$51.6-57- poverty?" billion.

page election Jack Layton platform, released yesterday in Toronto.

"Don't you think it's time we finally put an end to the shame of child poverty?" he said to about 200 cheering

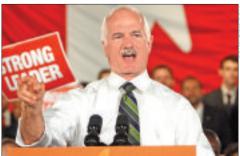
Speaking to reporters af-

no apologies for setting the aggressive 2020 deadline.

"This is the Jack "Don't you think it's know You something, if you don't set a you're never going to get there, he said.

> The expensive tool in the NDP's anti-poverty arsenal is a new \$17.4-billion child-benefit plan that would pay low-income families up to

\$416 per month per child. The party, which is prom-



NDP Leader Jack Layton speaks to supporters during a campaign rally vesterday in Toronto.

ising balanced budgets, maintains it can pay for its

commitments by can-Minister celling Prime

Stephen Harper's corporate tax cuts, including cancelling the planned reduction of the rate to 19 per cent, returning it to 22.12 per cent.

The New Democrats say the \$17.4-billion price tag for the child-benefit plan is only \$4.4 billion more than the \$13-billion patchwork of Conservative benefits their package would replace when it's fully phased in by 2012-13.

Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion was harshly critical of Layton's corporate tax plans, saying they would kill jobs. Torstar News Service

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Liberals celebrate women in politics

With his party showing signs of losing the critical support of women voters,

Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion is on the offensive.

At a rally in downtown Toronto Centre. Dion celebrated 53rd birthday at a "celebra-tion" of

women in politics.

Dion accused Stephen Harper's Conservative government of opposing women's equality and failing women on issues that matter to them most, including child care, seniors' issues, poverty and health care.

Dion boasted he's met his

goal of women making up one-third of the Liberal

Numbers

• Dion said the 112 women running as Liberal candidates, out of 306, is the most of any party. The Conservatives are running 62 women of 307 candidates, and the NDP has 104 out of 305 candidates.

ranks in this election. was energized, and the rhetoric was heated. But it was perhaps a sign Dion is taking

polls — which

he refuses to

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comment on seriously. The Liberal leader wasn't supposed to be here on his birthday.

His wife, Janine Krieber, was to be the headliner, but Dion said later the women candidates arrayed behind him clamoured for his appearance. "I could not resist."

Former U.S. President Bill Clinton said Republican John McCain is "a great man," but he expects Democrat Barack Obama to show "greatness" as president and will do what he can to get him elected on Nov. 4. REUTERS

World/Business

U.S. bailout vote looms

Lawmakers look to stem crisis with hard-fought bill

The greatest U.S. government bailout since the Great Depression, a massive \$700 billion US intervention that has outraged working Americans and redefined the presidential race, could be voted upon as early as today.

bipartisan reached early yesterday, after marathon negotiations. falls well short of the blank cheque the Bush administration had sought and gives the next U.S. president leeway in re-examining the deal when he takes office in January.

Both Democratic nominee Barack Obama and Republican nominee John Mc-Cain gave the deal their grudging support.

The fiercest opposition still rests with fiscal conservatives in the Republican caucus in the House of Representatives, the group most reluctant to line up behind any proposal from outgoing President George W. Bush as they head to the

polls in just over five weeks. The Democratic leadership took credit late yesterday for making the deal



Nine-year-old Alyssa Bowe listens to Democratic U.S. presidential nominee Barack Obama during a campaign rally outside the Detroit Public Library yesterday. Obama called the proposed \$700 billion U.S. economic bailout package an "outrage," but said he had "no choice" but to support it.

Big bucks

• The \$700 billion US in buying power would be doled out by Congress in stages. After the first \$250 billion is authorized,

the President could request another \$100 billion. The final \$350 billion could be cleared by a further act of Congress.

more palatable to American taxpavers, limiting compensation for Wall Street leaders, ensuring that the companies benefiting from the bailout pay back any short-

fall to the taxpayers and providing accountability and transparency that was missing from the original Bush proposal. "Working together, we

sent a message to Wall Street — the party is over," said Nancy Pelosi, the Democratic House speaker.

"This is not a bailout of Wall Street, this a buy-in so we can turn this economy around." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Business

World trade little hit by crisis

Trade flows are likely to slow this year as consumers, worried about the financial crisis, cut back spending and a cyclical downturn bites into exports and imports, economists said.

But the crisis itself has so far had only a moderate impact on trade.

Exports and imports have been slowing since the second quarter after growing strongly in the first, said Michael Finger, senior economist at the World Trade Organization.

"What we know already from the first seven-eight

"It's not a catastrophe, it's a weakening."

Michael Finger, WTO

months is it's not a catastrophe, it's weakening. I don't see any panic or huge changes, it's relatively gradual," he told Reuters. Trade would be vulnera-

ble to a prolonged seize-up in banks, as commerce is financed by credit, but the slowdown reflects a cyclical downturn rather than the immediate impact of the crisis.

DAILY BUSINESS BUZZ

N.S. earnings second-lowest: Nova Scotian employees' weekly earnings of \$697.16 were the second-lowest in the country in July, according to Statistics Canada, Only PEI workers made less

Power rate increase too high: Nova Scotia Power's new 9.4 per cent power rate increase doesn't do enough to keep rates reasonable, says the province's Department of Energy, which urged the province's Utility and Review Board not to just rubber-stamp the deal through.

Bras D'Or tar pond cleanup:

The province announced \$14 million in tar ponds cleanup tenders on the shores of Bras d'Or in Eskasoni for companies with majority Aboriginal ownership.

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NYC revitalization may face slowdown

FINANCIAL CRISIS Troubles on Wall Street may have slowed New York's drive to rebuild the World Trade Center, set to be completed in 2009, and revitalize Manhattan's downtown.

The financial industry which drives job growth, office rents and apartment sales prices and rents will likely take a bite out of the city's economy, experts say. REUTERS

In **brief**

WIRELESS Shares of BlackBerrymaker RIM plunged 28 per cent on Friday as investors worried about low margins, increased competition and a weak econ-TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

BANK RESCUE Britain will nationalize mortgage lender Bradford & Bingley and is discussing the sale of its savings book and branches.

Hostages now in Chad. says Sudan

KIDNAPPING The Sudanese army said it had killed the leader of a group that kid-napped 11 Western tourists and eight Egyptians yesterday and said the hostages were now in Chad, the state-run SUNA news agency reported.

The agency quoted a statement from the army as saying one of its units killed five other gunmen and detained two in a gun battle near the Egyptian and Libyan border.

The army said "preliminary information" indicated the 19 hostages were inside Chad under the protection of 30 armed men. There was no comment from the Chadian government.

Khartoum and the Dar-furian rebel groups routinely trade accusations of bombings and acts of aggression in Darfur, a warravaged area in western Sudan.

Israel to allow Canadians into Gaza

ISRAEL An Ottawa woman and her two teenaged daughters were hoping to enter the Gaza Strip early this morning, after Israeli authorities reversed an earlier decision and granted the trio permission to enter the troubled Palestinian territory.

"I am very, very happy," Saadiya Joha, 34, said last night after making the twohour drive from Jerusalem to Erez Crossing, currently

the only entry point into Gaza from Israel. "My kids are very happy. I want to see my father really bad."

"My kids are very happy. I want to see my father really bad." Saadiya Joha

The woman's 79-year-old father, Biab Joha, is in failing health in Gaza, and she

feared he would die before she and her daughters had a last chance to see him.

Joha and her daughters had hoped to cross into Gaza yesterday afternoon, but the border was closed by the time they reached Erez.

The crossing was to reopen at 8 a.m. local time.

The Israeli military IDF gave no reason either for its initial ruling or for its reversal of that decision vester-TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Police detain suspects over deadly bomb blast in Delhi

INDIA Indian police have detained more than 10 people in connection with a deadly bomb blast in a crowded New Delhi market, officials said yesterday, the second attack in the capital this month.

Police said they had witnesses who could identify the two men who dropped a bag in the Mehrauli market on Saturday, before speeding away on a motorcycle.

A boy picked up the bag and ran after the motorcyclists to return it when there was a huge explosion, killing him. A 60-yearold man died in hospital later. Twenty-two people were wounded in the blast.

Saturday's blast followed an explosion in the city on Sept. 13 that killed 23 people and wounded 100.

News in brief

IRAQ Four bombs killed at least 32 people and wounded scores in Baghdad yesterday as Iraqis shopped and broke their fast for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, police said.

GERMANY Conservatives in the southern German state of Bavaria suffered their worst result in half a century in a regional vote yesterday, dealing a blow to Chancellor Angela Merkel ahead of a 2009 federal election.

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If one million homes converted to solar power, we could reduce CO2 emissions by 4.3-million tons per year,

according to The Live Earth: Global Warming Survival Handbook by David de Rothschild. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Rating products

Energy Star is an international symbol for energy-efficient goods. Rather than rating products along a scale, the Energy Star initiative sets a single standard and awards the Energy Star initiative sets a single standard and awards the Energy Star symbol to products that meet specific technical criteria, according to Greeniology: How To Live Well, Be Green And Make A Difference by Tanya Ha.

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Elect leaders who care about planet

Next government will lead Canada into the future on global warming initiatives

Science**Matters**



eaders of nations worldwide know we are near more than one environmental tipping point. So, they have met to hammer out agreements in crucial areas such as biodiversity loss and global warming.

Canada itself has acknowledged, through national planning and legislation, the importance of is-

sues such as species conservation and sustainable development. Many of these agreements and strategies must be addressed during the mandate of the government we elect Oct. 14.

In December 2009, Canada will meet with other nations in Copenhagen to adopt an international treaty to succeed the Kyoto Protocol on global warming. In 2010, the country will also have to report on the progress it has made regarding the UN Convention on Biological Diversity's targets for reducing biodiversity loss. Over the next few years, Canada's government must also formally review its Species at Risk Act, implement a Sustainable Development Act and

"We need a government that will lead when it comes to caring for the finite world that gives us life and sustains us. We've already squandered 20 years since global warming was first recognized as an issue requiring immediate attention."

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We need a government that will lead when it comes to caring for the finite world that gives us life and sustains us. We've already squandered 20 years since global warming was first recognized as an issue requiring immediate attention.

Even though the envi-

ronment has at least been on the agenda during this election, pollsters tell us Canadians see the economy and health care as more important. But it's not a matter of one or the other. The health of Canadians depends on a healthy environment, as does a healthy economy. Everything is connected!

We're a bit behind, but we can start to catch up by

Election 2008

recognizing that environmental initiatives can give the economy a huge boost. We can keep sucking every last bit of coal and oil out of the ground until it's all gone, until it's all been burned and its carbon released into the air, or we can create jobs and economic opportunities by developing renewable sources of energy

veloping renewable sources of energy.
Yes, we can all make a difference through our own individual actions by changing some of our habits, but we also have an opportunity to elect a government that will contribute to the kinds of large-scale changes needed

for a sustainable world.

As Canadians, we must hold the politicians to account and ensure that, no matter which party wins the election, we will have a government that shows foresight and leadership at home and abroad. That way we'll have a country that is thriving on opportunity rather than drowning in crisis.

If we keep stalling, we won't have to worry about the economy, or health care, or anything else.

Take David Suzuki's Nature Challenge and learn more at www.david suzuki.org.

Dr. David T. Suzuki is a Vancouver-based award-winning scientist, environmentalist and broadcaster.





The Anaheim Ducks officially welcomed back franchise icon Teemu Selanne yesterday, signing the Finnish winger to a two-year contract. Per club policy, terms of the deal were not disclosed. The 38-year-old had 12 goals and 23 points in 26 games last season. METRO NEWS SERVICES



Sports



Roddick takes China Open

Former world No. 1 Andy Roddick edged Dudi Sela in three sets to win the final of the China Open at the Beijing Tennis Center tle and third this year with a 6-4, 6-7 (6-8), 6-3 victory over the Israeli Sela, who played in his first ATP final

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about losses

NHL Maple Leafs coach Ron Wilson doesn't share the panic in Leafs Nation regarding his club's late game collapse in Buffalo on Saturday night.

The Leafs, having played well for about 57 minutes. suffered a mental letdown and wound up blowing a two-goal lead in a 3-2 loss in overtime to the Sabres.

Even though it was an exhibition game, the loss was stressful, because it marked the second such collapse in two nights. And fans became all too familiar with that negative trend last year.

"It's an exhibition game, it doesn't bother me at all."

Ron Wilson

Wilson, though, stressed perspective at this point in the season.

"It's an exhibition game, it doesn't bother me at all to be honest with you," he said yesterday as the team participated in off-ice train-

ing.
"What bothers me is getting asked ... these questions when you're trying to get young guys into the lineup ... well, we're probably not going to win the Stanley Cup, there's a news flash for you.'

Wilson has underlined the need to rid the Leafs of their "hangover effect" from last season where the club never remedied their penchant for blowing thirdperiod leads, which led to 23 one-goal losses.

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Leafs' coach not worried A tale of two teams Playoff ratheads to

Superb pitching, inconsistent offence leave Jays at 86-76

Blue Jays 10 Orioles 1

A couple of weeks after it had effectively ended, the Blue Javs' 2008 season came to a close in clammy Baltimore yesterday.

A lopsided 10-1 victory over the miserable Orioles takes Toronto's final record to 86-76, 11 games back of surprise division winners Tampa Bay.

The optimistic take on the year? The Jays finished 10 games over .500 and the offence can only get better. The pessimist's view? They finished fourth in a division that will only get tougher next year and the pitching can't possibly repeat.

The pressure now shifts from players to management. Can they re-sign A.J. Burnett or, if not, another A-list starter? Will they be able to secure a power bat in the free-agent market? Most importantly, will the current club, the one that GM I.P. Ricciardi described as the best he had ever assembled, be able to cross from hopeful to contender next year?

The season was punctuated by optimistic peaks and deflating valleys. Coming out of spring training, playoff hopes ran high in the clubhouse.

"Our team is built to win now," Vernon Wells said hours before the season started at Yankee Stadium six months ago.

Frustrating," "Long. Wells said yesterday of the season. "Just another year



Vernon Wells hits a solo home run in the second inning of Toronto's 10-1 victory over Baltimore yesterday in the Jays' final game of the season. Wells finished the day 4-for-4 with two homers.

that we didn't excel like we thought we would "

The team's \$126-million US man suffered his second disappointing year in a row, missing two long stretches with a broken wrist and a hamstring strain. Yesterday, far too late to matter, he showed what he's capable of — 4for-4 with two home runs and five RBIs.

Starter Jesse Litsch, who could be the staff's No. 2

man by next spring, threw seven innings of three-hit ball. A month ago, it would have been headline stuff. This morning, it's a foot-

In the clubhouse yesterday, a respectfully mournful silence mixed with giddy anticipation of four months at home. Nobody bothered with a pre-game workout - except Roy Halladay. He was razzed when he decided to go for a run a

couple of hours before game time.

Around the room, perspectives on the season were divided by position.

"Promising," was ho

"Promising, was Burnett summed it up.

"Disappointing," first baseman sighed.

That tells the story right there — a great year for the pitchers, a forgettable one for the rest.

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Playoff race extra inninas

BASEBALL The Milwaukee Brewers beat out the New York Mets yesterday for the National League's last playoff spot, but it will take at least one more game to decide the American League's post-season

lineup.
The Brewers won the NL wild-card spot when they defeated the Chicago Cubs 3-1 on the final day of the regular season to claim their first playoff berth since 1982.

The Mets, who had been tied with the Brewers in the wild-card race, fell 4-2 to the Florida Marlins in the final game at Shea Stadium, which is to be replaced by a new stadium.

The loss marked the straight-straight season that Florida eliminated the Mets from the postseason on the final day of the regular season.

In the American League, the Chicago White Sox kept their playoff hopes alive with a 5-1 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

The win, coupled with the Minnesota Twins's 6-0 shutout of the Kansas City Royals, left the White Sox a half-game behind the Twins in the AL Central Division race.

The White Sox will make up an earlier rainedout game against Detroit today in Chicago and if they win that game, they will play the Twins in Chicago tomorrow for the Central Division championship and a spot in the postseason. RELITERS

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Villegas wins PGA Tour Championship

GOLF A bold decision to aim straight for the flag at the tricky par-four 17th helped Colombian Camilo Villegas seal a playoff victory over Sergio Garcia at the Tour Championship on Sunday.

Villegas struck a superb seven-iron approach from the first cut of rough to 12 feet and calmly holed the birdie putt.

That put him level with Garcia, who was playing in the group behind, and the Colombian went on to par the 18th hole twice in succession to edge out the Spaniard for the title.



Camilo Villegas of Colombia celebrates vesterday after winning the Tour Championship by defeating Sergio Garcia in a playoff.

the tournament right at the 455-yard 17th. there," Villegas told re-Villegas told re-

"Probably the shot of porters of his second shot

Sports in brief

NFL Brett Favre set a career-high with six touchdown passes as the New York Jets outgunned Arizona, 56-35, at the Meadowlands. Favre had thrown five TDs three prior times, but not since September, 1998 when he was with Green Bay.

NFL The Washington Redskins ousted the Dallas Cowboys from the unbeaten ranks with a 26-24 upset victory yesterday.

FORMULA 1 Renault's Fernando Alonso ended a year-long winless streak by taking the Singapore Grand Prix, the first Formula One race run at night. yesterday. METRO NEWS SERVICES The Halifax Mooseheads drew a crowd of just 5,714 for yesterday afternoon's 4-2 loss to the Moncton Wildcats at the Metro Centre. That's the smallest crowd in more than six seasons and only the sixth time since 2003-04 that fewer than 6,000 tickets were sold. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports in brief

JUNIOR A HOCKEY The Halifax Lions have their first Maritime Junior A Hockey League win after a 5-4 road triumph over the Dieppe Commandos on Saturday. The Lions, who are 1-4-2, finished with a weekend split after a 7-0 loss to the host Summerside Western Capitals yesterday.

UNIVERSITY Dalhousie
University athletic director Al
Scott announced his
retirement on Friday. Scott
was originally hired in 1979
as head coach of the Tigers'
men's volleyball team and
guided it to 19 conference
championships before being
named athletic director nine
years ago.

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Somebeachsomewhere became the fastest three-year-old pacer in harness racing history when he won the \$134,000 Blue Grass Stakes in Lexington, Ky., in world-record time of 1:46.4. Some-beachsomewhere shaved one-fifth of a second off the previous standard.

AUS SOCCER The massive turnaround continues for the Dalhousie Tigers men's soccer team after a pair of weekend victories over the Mount Allison Mounties on Friday and the Cape Breton Capers yesterday. The Tigers, who finished last in 2007, have a 41-2 record, second in the AUS.

AUS HOCKEY The host Acadia Axemen won the Don Wells Invitational pre-season university hockey tournament in Wolfville yesterday with a 6-4 win over the St. Francis Xavier X-Men. The Saint Mary's Huskies placed third, beating the Queen's Golden Gaels 7-0 in yesterday's bronze-medal game.

MATTHEW WUEST/ METRO HALIFAX

Unbeaten 'Cats down Moose

Wildcats 4 Mooseheads 2

MATTHEW WUEST

You've got to shoot to score, and you've got to score to win.

The Halifax Mooseheads didn't shoot much, didn't score much, and ultimately suffered a 4-2 home loss yesterday afternoon to the Moncton Wildcats, the only unbeaten team remaining in the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League.

The Mooseheads finished with 16 shots, only three of which were considered from a dangerous area. The effort certainly didn't help a team lacking in goal-scoring personnel.

"Shooting is a big aspect of this loss and we're gonna need to get a lot more shots if we want to put the puck in the net," Mooseheads forward Eric Louis-Seize said. "Even if they're not 'dangerous' shots, they could create a rebound and a goal."



Mooseheads goalie Mark Yetman makes a save on Moncton Wildcats left wing Pierre-Marc Lessard during the second period of Sunday afternoon's game at the Metro Centre.

Not enough shots wasn't the only problem for the Mooseheads, who also pinned the loss on giveaways. The Wildcats jumped on Halifax's mistakes and finished with 28 shots, a whopping 20 of them classified as danger-

The most glaring turnover came with 87 seconds to go as the Mooseheads pressed for the equalizer, down 3-2. Moncton's Matt Brown stripped the puck from rookie Alexis Piette inside Halifax's blueline and fed Matt Eagles to seal it.

Justin Pender had just given the Mooseheads a glimmer of hope with a power-play goal with 5:44 to go.
"We're a young team, so

"We're a young team, so players are trying to prove themselves and sometimes you try to do too much and things like this happen," said third-year defenceman Gabriel O'Connor. "It was pretty obvious today that was the problem."

Brown, a Bible Hill native and former first-round draft pick, was the first star with a pair of goals and an assist as the Wildcats improved to a perfect 6-0-0.

Mooseheads captain Graham Bona had Halifax's other goal and goaltender Mark Yetman made 24 saves.

Combined with Friday's 5-2 loss to the P.E.I. Rocket, the Mooseheads have dropped to 2-6, tied for fourth in the Atlantic Division and a point out of last place.

The good news is, help is coming. The Mooseheads have been playing without their top two offensive threats, Tomas Knotek and Logan MacMillan. Knotek has had a groin injury and MacMillan is at the Anaheim Ducks' training camp.

It's not known if they'll be back for Halifax's next game, Friday against the Rocket at the Metro Centre.

Bruins send locals to AHL

NHL Andrew Bodnarchuk and Brad Marchand saw their stints with the Boston Bruins come to an end on the weekend.

The Bruins assigned the Hammonds Plains natives and former Halifax Mooseheads teammates to the American Hockey League's Providence Bruins on Saturday. That's where both are expected to spend their rookie pro campaigns.

Bodnarchuk, a defenceman who captained the Mooseheads last season, appeared in Tuesday's preseason loss to the New York Islanders in Moncton, while Marchand, a forward and two-time world junior gold-medallist, played in Monday's exhibition win over the Montreal Canadiens in Halifax.

They spent the week in Halifax with the Bruins, who made the area a fiveday base for their training camp.

The Bruins made a total of 10 cuts on Saturday and now have 34 players vying for NHL roster spots.

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'Devon Jones show' clinches playoff spot for SMU Huskies

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FOOTBALL Rookie running back Devon Jones played his way into the Saint Mary's Huskies' offence on the weekend.

Jones, the son of former Edmonton Eskimos star running back Milson Jones, rumbled for 251 yards and two majors in the Huskies' 28-23 win over the host Acadia Axemen in Atlantic University Sport football play on Saturday

ty Sport 100.
Saturday.
The 5-foot-10, 230-pounder had just six carries through three games, but stepped up after an injury to starter Allistair Blair and helped Saint Mary's (4-0) clinch a playoff spot.

"Absolutely," said Huskies head coach Steve Sumarah, when asked if Jones has earned a bigger role in the offence going forward. "He's a natural running back. Holy liftin' ... He's got real good lean, he's powerful, and he's got speed."

Blair, who was the AUS's leading rusher entering the game, left after just six carries with a knee injury. Sumarah said it isn't serious and that Blair will probably return this week.



Acadia Axemen linebacker Chris Brown steams down on Saint Mary's Huskies quarterback Nathan Marsman on Friday night.

Salmon River's Craig Leger, who was second on the depth chart behind Blair coming in, had just two carries.

"It started to become the Devon Jones show," Sumarah said. "We just ran with it. We didn't want to mess with it."

The Huskies started Nathan Marsman in place of Hec Crighton winner Erik Glavic, who has missed the bulk of the first four games recovering from knee surgery. Marsman went 10-for-16 to finish with 135 yards and a touchdown.

Sumarah said he is "ecstatic" his team is 4-0, but admitted to being unhappy with some aspects of Saturday's win. "We did some things

that were not very good, and I kinda let the guys know about that," Sumarah said.

The Huskies return to action on Saturday at 2 p.m. against the St. Francis Xavier X-Men in Antigonish. The squad could be without receiver Carl Hardwick, a conference all-star last season who left Saturday's game with a leg injury.

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For more information, visit www.gov.ns.ca/natr/wildlife or contact your local Department of Natural Resources office.



The University of the Fraser Valley is reporting increases in enrolment over last year, with a 6.3-per-cent jump. The big reason for the gain is the fact that the former university-college was awarded university status by the B.C. government in April. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Lindros' legacy

Recently, the London Health Sciences Centre's University Hospital unveiled the signage of its Lindros Legacy Research building, named after former NHL star Eric Lindros. Last November, Lindros contributed \$5 million to the facility. METRO NEWS SERVICES

René, the cat man atop Parliament Hill



t's a sunny afternoon at the western edge of Par-liament Hill and René Chartrand is swinging a curly-haired through the air. The boy and his father came here to look at the dozen cats who live in view of our nation's capitol buildings.

They're finding out the so-called Cat Man is possibly more entertaining than his feline charges.

Chartrand, although 86 years old, finds the energy to take a 10-minute bus ride most days to feed the cats, do maintenance on their homes and both chat and play with the hundreds of visitors who stop by every

The **Lowdown**

Job title: Cat Man Salary: Volunteer; chips in to help offset the \$6,000 annual cost of keeping the cats. Education/training: A love of cats; helps if you can build and fix things. Best Part of the Job: "To be here every day." Worst Part of the Job: "I hate to go home."

though snow sometimes keeps him from leaving his downtown apartment. where he has seven cats of his own. "I cannot live without a cat," he says. "I've always loved them."

The descendants of the cat colony worked inside the parliament buildings doing natural pest control until chemicals took over their job in the 1950s. Put outside, they were cared for by various hill staff until, in the 1970s, a local woman named Irene Desormeaux gave them food and some boxes to live in. Chartrand

began helping out. In 1987, Desormeaux died and Chartrand took over. The former lumber mill worker and house painter, who is originally from nearby Hull, took his volunteer duties seriously. He built condos out of wood for the cats, got them vet care and lavished them with attention.

Chartrand set up a donation box, which helps offset but doesn't always fully cover — the \$6,000 it costs to care for these cats every year. Donated cat food and vet care (they get a check-up and shots every year) help

In recent years, a group of eight local residents has begun helping Chartrand. They come early in the morning with food, and when he arrives at two, he feeds them again (if he



René Chartrand, the so-called Cat Man.

doesn't make it. everyone knows they've eaten for sure). They help with things like the shovelling.

They're also consciously letting the cat colony peter out. A years ago, there were 28 cats; now just a dozen remain. When people drop kittens on the hill or a new stray comes into the group, they bring it to the local Humane Society for adoption (or take it in themselves — everyone involved in this project has a couple felines at home).

None of them sees themselves as Chartrand's successor: "Taking care of these cats is all I have to do. I'm in love with them.'

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

Odd jobs by the alphabet

CareerBuilder.com has announced its most unusual job survey results:

- A Autopsy assistant B - Bartender at the Liberace mansion
- C Cat nanny
- D Donkey trainerE Elf at Santa's workshop
- F FBI fingerprint examiner
- G Grave digger
- H Hurricane hunter I - Ice sculpture carver
- J Junk mail machine operator
- K- Kitty litter box decorator
- L Laser tag referee
- M Magician's assistant

- N Nuclear electrician on a submarine
- O Opera singer
- P Parachute tester
- Q Quality control/taster for chocolate factory
- R Romance specialist
- S Scratcher (scratched backs for patients)
- T Turkey wrangler
- U Undercover vice decoy
- V Video game tester
- W Wallpaper peeler
- X X-ray technician for animals Y - Yawn counter at sleep clinic
- Z Zamboni driver
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A job description can be viewed on the GASHA website at: ww.gasha.nshealth.ca, under job postings.

> Interested applicants please submit resume to Helen Muir, Human Resources Coordinator. Guysborough Antigonish Strait Health Authority, 25 Bay Street, Antigonish, Nova Scotia B2G 2G5 Tele: (902) 867-4429; Fax: (902) 863-6455.



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Nova Scotia business school shuts down

The Success College of Applied Arts and Technology, based in Truro Nova Scotia, has closed its doors after 116 years in operation. An N.S. Department of Education spokesman said the school's president asked that the college's operating licence be rescinded because he didn't have space to hold classes. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Office workers show attachment to supplies

MY STAPLER Step away from the stapler. Recent studies show office workers are emotionally attached to the office supplies they use and become quite anxious when someone else in the office is in charge of replenishing for fear their favourite brands will be taken away or substituted for less expensive brands.

"Office workers are tired and stressed and sometimes form very close attachments to the brands and objects they use as a way of remaining productive," says Steve Murphy, Marketing Manager for ACCO Brands Canada. "It may not be all that conscious either. Our research shows workers don't even know they have that emotional connection until someone asks about it.'

Office supply brands such as Swingline, Quartet, Wilson Jones, Kensington and Day-Timer make it their business to match the right tool with the right worker and target much of their marketing efforts towards office administrators who do the buying — the theory being that a well-stocked worker is a happy worker and happiness breeds productivity. Who knew binders, planners and three-hole punches could be so scientific?

Just as Milton in the 1999 cult classic Office Space protected his red Swingline stapler with his life, office workers everywhere have their own versions of the Swingline. What product is it for you? Is it your mouse? Your Day-Timer? Your white board? NEWS CANADA

New café offers taste of Bermuda in Halifax

Halifax's first Bermudathemed restaurant opened in high style Saturday night, with a visit from the premier of the island nation.

Rock Island Café on Ouinpool Road hosted Premier Ewart Brown, who is in Halifax to welcome the 300 or so Bermudian students starting school at universities across Halifax. Co-owner Raymond Davis, who knows the premier from his own forays into Bermudian politics, said it was an honour to have such an esteemed first diner.

The restaurant had an unusual birth. Davis has four children at universities in Halifax and he was footing the rent bills for each of them.

"Paying rent was so pro-hibitive that I bought the building," he says with a laugh. His kids lived upstairs, but that still left the problem of what to do with the basement at 6293 Quin-



pool Road. The former veterinarian's office was sitting empty, so Davis decided to open a Bermudian restaurant - kind of a family kitchen.

He's installed a stage at the back of the sleek, modern eatery so that his son's band, Chronicles and others can have a place to play.

It's not the first time Davis has solved a problem in such a comprehensive way. Years ago in Bermuda. he was faced with an expensive laundry bill for his family. He was stunned by the cost of cleaning clothes and decided he'd rather be taking that money in than shelling it out.

"So, I built a laundromat." he explains.

It became one of the most successful laundromat chains on the island

His trendy restaurant will cater toward feeding the Bermudian students in town and introducing island cuisine to locals. The menu is fish-and-chickenbased, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Most of the ingredients are local, but Thursdays will offer a catch-of-the-day flown in fresh from Bermuda.

He's also outfitted the café with equipment to allow teleconferencing, par-ticularly between local businesses and Bermuda. He says many businesses in Bermuda have set up headquarters in Halifax.

"But what keeps me here is there's such a familiarity between Halifax and Bermuda," Davis explains. "Haligonians are friendly people, they like to chat and talk and Bermudians are the same way.

The restaurant is open for business today, with the grand opening penciled in for October to give Davis and co-owner Kelly Dow a chance to work out any

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A self portrait drawn in lipstick by supermodel Kate Moss has been sold to an anonymous buyer for \$62,000 US in London. BBC NEWS ONLINE

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The lone Clooney

Actor George Clooney is reportedly set to star as The Lone Ranger, joining Johnny Depp in the big-screen adaptation of the long-running 1950s TV show, according to British tabloid reports.

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They've gotta have faith

Bad Religion still pious after nearly three decades of rocking, recording

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Jay Bentley delivers an honest answer to a straight-forward question.

Twenty-eight years and over a dozen albums later, what keeps the punk rock band Bad Religion going?

"Nothing better to do," chuckled the band's long-time bass player. "It's the most fun you can possibly have. You're with friends and you play music. You get to be creative. You get to talk to people. It's a blast."

It's hard to argue with the answer, as Bentley and his fellow band members are in the final stages of their very first cross-Canada tour, with a stop set for Wednesday night at the Halifax Forum's Multipurpose Centre.

The band is touring Canada in support of its latest album New Maps Of Hell, which hit store shelves in the summer of 2007. It's the fourth album released this decade by Bad Religion, showing that even as they get older, there is no sign of slowing down.

"If I hear somebody say, 'Bad Religion. Those guys are still around?' I'm just humbled that they said the words Bad Religion," said Bentley, one of the band's original members from its formation in California in 1980. "It's honestly art. It's like painting, sculpting or



Influential punk rock band Bad Religion performs in the Halifax Forum's multipurpose room this Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

"If I hear someone say, 'Bad Religion. Those guys are still around?' I am just humbled that they said the words Bad Religion."

Jay Bentley

writing. It's just an art. And it's subjective. Some people like it, some people don't."

If you go

- What: Bad Religion with The Bronx and The Hemingways
- Where: Halifax Forum
- When: Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
- Tickets: \$29.75. Call 1-888-311-9090 or visit www.sonicconcerts.ca

Bad Religion's popularity was considered at its peak in the mid-1990s when their 1994 album Stranger Than Fiction led to hit singles like 21st Century and Infected. But while not always finding mainstream success, Bad Religion is seen as one of the most vital and influential bands in punk rock music.

"That's crazy thinking," Bentley said sarcastically about their legacy. "I still see us as five nerds from the valley, just jamming in (lead singer Greg) Graffin's garage. That's how we started, so that's how we

The band has played in Canada before, but never in the Maritimes. Bad Religion is in Moncton tomorrow before travelling for its 7:30 p.m. show in Halifax Wednesday.

"It's something to really look forward to," Bentley said.

"We've never seen (Halifax). We've never been there. I know it's a natural beauty. And then just going out and meeting new people. It's going to be awesome."

Broken instruments to be turned into original artworks

FUNDRAISER The Symphonic Art fundraiser for Symphony Nova Scotia's education programs is coming back for a second-straight year.

The fundraiser and artistic collaboration brings SNS together with provincial artists to turn unplayable instruments into unique creations. Over 50 clarinets, violins, bugles, cellos and pianos will be up for auction this Saturday at 7 p.m. at the law offices of McInnes Cooper, which is located in Purdy's Wharf Tower II on Upper Water St.

A public viewing will be held in advance of the event in the windows of Dugger's on Spring Garden Road and the Fireworks Gallery on Barrington Street.

Tickets for Saturday's auction cost \$30 and are available by calling 422-6656 or 431-9794.

All proceeds go to SNS's education programs, which offer people the ability to learn about music in interactive ways, which includes things like the adopt-a-musician program or pre-concert chats.

METRO HALIFAX

In **brief**

TELEVISION Free tickets are now available for the Canada's Super Speller national finals set for Oct. 6 through Oct. 10 at the Festival Theatre in Wolfville. The show tapes daily from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Reserve tickets by phoning 1-877-335-3534.



No purchase necessary. One entry per person. Contest open to Canadian residents of legal age, excluding residents of Quebec. Contest closes October 4, 2008. Odds of winning depend on number of entries received. For full contest rules and details, visit www.metronews.ca.





Helen Mirren's next film will see her play a Mossad agent who covers up the re-emergence of a Nazi war criminal. Filming is due to take place in the U.K., Germany and Israel next year. BBC NEWS ONLINE



stock of your life

y grand-mother had a saying, "If don't vou take stock, how do you know when you're running low?" Remembering those words alwavs makes me think "What the heck was the old woman talking about?"

Possibly, what grandma meant was that every so of-ten we should take time to ask ourselves important life questions. Do a little self-assessment.

I've made many resolutions over the years and I'm happy to say I've kept every one. Mainly, I've kept them in the bottom drawer of my desk where I don't have to look at them.

But today I'm taking grandma's advice and I invite you to do the same.

Career: My crowning achievement this year was training my family not to interrupt when I'm working. I did this by saying, "Let me read you what I'm working on," every time they came near.

Finances: So far, a signifi-



cant part of my savings is made up of whatever I find under the sofa cushions.

Going green: My friend, Rob, claims he's cut his personal water consumption by half by substituting soda in his scotch. For myself, I didn't get around to getting a backyard composter, but I think the pile of laundry in the basement has started to decompose.

Personal satisfaction: I've got love and work enough and what else do we need? Except for nice shoes, And gossip magazines.

I'd say I've achieved the ultimate goal of anyone trying to make it in this world. I'm still standing.

Anne Hines is an author and humour writer.
She has written three novels and one collection of nonfiction humour.

Stopping to take Death of a legend

Paul Newman remembered

The death of film legend Paul Newman sparked an outpouring of reaction over the weekend with friends remembering the Oscar winner for his cool acting style and his warm, charitable heart.

Newman, known roles in films including Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, The Hustler, The Sting, and Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, died at his Westport, Conn., home Friday night at age 83 after a long battle with cancer. His wife of 50 years, Joanne Woodward and family were at his side.

Friends and associates remembered his talent that earned Newman nine Oscar nominations, his passion for auto racing and his philanthropy through such causes as his Newman's Own Foundation Hole-In-the-Wall and camps for sick children.

"There is a point where feelings go beyond words,' said Robert Redford, his longtime friend and co-star in Butch Cassidy and The Sting. "I have lost a real friend. My life — and this country — is better for his being in it."

"He comes from that era of actors along with the Deans, Brandos and Clifts that I, that we all looked at, as actors who changed the art form," said Leonar-

do DiCaprio. Eva Marie Saint, who starred with Newman in Exodus, said: "Yes, his eyes were that blue and beautiful. ... His legacy as a hu-



Paul Newman

manitarian for children around the world is unmatchable?

Indeed, in 1982 Newman co-founded Newman's Own food products and decided to funnel much of his profits to charity. Along with philanthropy, Newman was active in liberal political causes, and former U.S. President Bill Clinton and

Newman facts

- Newman was nominated for nine Oscars and won the best actor award for The Color of Money in 1986.
- Newman's Own food line generated more than US\$200 million for charity.
- Married since 1958 to actress Joanne Woodward, he had one of Hollywood's rare enduring marriages.

Sen. Hillary Clinton offered their condolences.

"Paul was an American icon, philanthropist and champion for children," the Clintons said. "Our prayers and thoughts are with Joanne and the Newman family and the many people who Paul impacted through his endless kindness and generosity.' REUTERS

Entertainment in brief

PEOPLE Los Angeles officials declined to press felony charges against rap singer Kanye West stemming from his arrest after a scuffle with photographers at Los Angeles International Airport Sept. 11 Reuters reports.

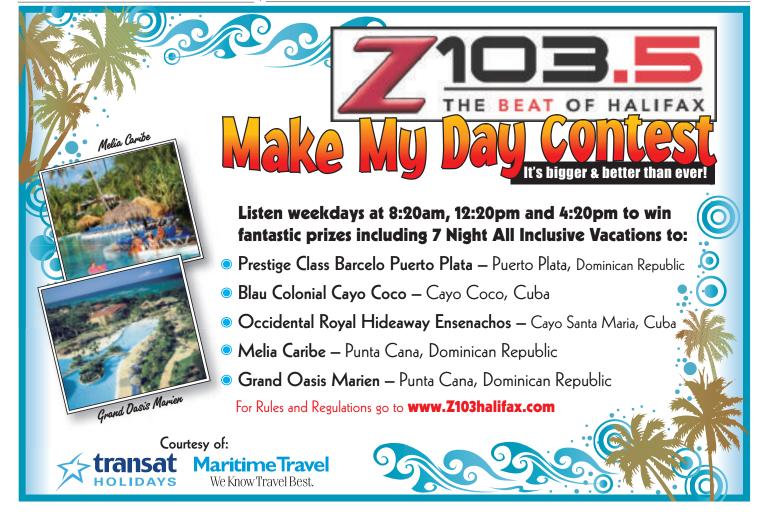
PEOPLE Actor Shia LaBeouf will not be charged after a car crash and his arrest on suspicion of drunken driving. Police had

said the other driver involved in the July crash ran a red light and slammed into the truck LaBeouf was driving, Reuters reports.

PEOPLE DJ AM was released

from Doctors Hospital in Augusta, Ga., where he was being treated for injuries from a fatal plane crash, People.com

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Actor Tate Donovan's divorce from wife Corinne Kingsbury, was finalized last month, court documents confirm. The former O.C. star filed for divorce back in December after almost two years of marriage, citing irreconcilable differences. PEOPLE.COMS



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BookPicks

Supreme Courtship

Author: Christopher Buckley Publisher: Grand Central Price: \$27.99 (Hardcover)

From the author of political satire Thank You For Smoking comes a new comic look inside the highest legislative body in the United States the Supreme Court. A justice vacancy leaves President Donald Vanderdamp the responsibility of finding a replacement. When senator Dexter Mitchell dismisses President Vanderdamp's nominees the leader takes action to get a big name onto an even bigbench. He calls on Judge Judy-esque Texan Judge Pepper Cartwright from TV's Courtroom Six to step up to the bar. Her celebrity battles tradition in a novel where Buckley, a former speechwriter for George H.W. Bush, continues his satirical representation of Capitol Hill.

Brian Coulton/for Metro Canada



A little unhealthy debate?

(McCain) might

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have been striving

KNOCKOUTS: Political debates, like awards shows, are the worst kinds of television that can actually deliver ratings that better programs dream of getting; the notable exception to this rule being the Emmys, which creates its own rule people love watching TV, but hate watching people get awards for making TV. But I digress.

Republican presidential candidate John Mc-Cain followed his Democratic opponent Barack Obama at the top of last Friday's first U.S. presidential debate with a downbeat announcement that Senator Ted Kennedy was in the hospital and went on to admit that "I've been not feeling too great about a lot of things lately."

He might have been striving to be honest — a questionable tactic for a politician — or bogart the emotional Q factor from Obama, but his elegiac bummer gambit was a sackcloth robe compared to his opponent's

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shiny space suit set of solutions.

Even if you're well-informed about the real issues at hand, or steeped in partisan sentiment and unlikely to budge by

the time you cast your ballot. the presidential debates are pageants of questionable tactic and for a politician - or style sentiment whose effect and appeal emotional Q factor almost su- from Obama. persede the

geography of facts or party loyalty, at least while they're being hot off the airwaves and for their vivid, but brief wake in the news cycle.

Both candidates took

credit for being Cassandras of the economic crisis that set the agenda for the debate, warning of trouble to come.

Both men favour tax cuts and the financial bailout, but as sure as regret follows a binge, the inevitable "but ..." transforms the momentary illusion of consensus into the usual ideological Babel.

L.A. Weekly columnist Nikki Finke reported this weekend the major

movie stu-dios have put part of the blame for this weekend's substandard opening box office on the debates

Whatever vou think about

style or substance of the debates, the idea that an appreciable percentage 34-year-olds staved Friday home night to watch the presidential debates can't rekindle the dim embers of civic optimism.

If McCain walked away from the debates with any real advantage visible to the disinterested observer they might be these days – it was a few zingers ("It's hard to reach across the aisle that far left.") and the diminishment of Obama's reputation as an orator.

You can tell when the Democratic candidate is departing from his script by eruptions of stammering, hobbled grammar and diminished vocabulary, but the script is still what decided voters on both sides - are intent on hearing.

In any case, Thursday's vice-presidential debates are likely to be the style battle that will pull in ratings and the movies studios should probably be grateful that they aren't taking place a day later

> Rick McGinnis writes about music. movies, books and television, but not opera.

Box office

Following are the top 10 films at the North American box office for the three-day weekend beginning Sept. 26. led by the new release Eagle Eye, according to studio estimates compiled yesterday by

Eagle Eye: \$29.2 million US

Nights in Rodanthe: \$13.6 million

Lakeview Terrace: \$7 million

Fireproof: \$6.5 million

Burn After Reading: \$6.2 million

Igor: \$5.5 million

Righteous Kill: \$3.803 million

My Best Friend's Girl: \$3.8 million

Miracle at St. Anna: \$3.5 million

Tyler Perry's the Fam-10 ily That Preys:

\$3.2 million

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critics'corner-

This new episode is for the birds, literally. When Sam (Kyle Bornheimer) tries to repair all of the damage he did to his reputation last week and win Dick's (Kurtwood Smith) approval by charming Angela (Nancy Lenehan), his plan backfires when han), his plan backfires when Dick's prized birds take wing. 10:31 PM on CBS



Dragons' Den
I've got the idea; you've got the
loot; let's make lots of money
A new "dragon" joins the reality
show in the season premiere:
investment banker Breit Wilson,
who, like the other wealthy panelists, is always looking for a
good product or service to help
finance. Entrepreneurs pitch their
ideas in hoose of dething some ideas in hopes of getting some money and advice to put them into production. A new golf shoe is particularly attractive to the panel in this episode. 8 PM on CBC

The Border
Forty years ago, fleeing to Canada was common practice among young men trying to avoid the U.S. military draft. Although the draft is load gang, reluctor test draft is long gone, reluctant sol-diers still seek sanctuary north of the border. That's what happens in the season premiere, as the ICS is confronted with three U.S. military deserters seeking refu-ee status. 9 PM on CBC

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Gervais to meet Oscar?

Comedian Ricky Gervais has been tipped to host next year's Academy Awards, after his laugh-raising stint at the recent Emmy Awards. IMDB.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Johansson and Reynolds wed

her brother, Adrian Johans-

son." Announcing their en-

gagement back in May, the

couple have been dating ever since Reynolds, 31, broke off his engagement

singer

Morisette in February 2007.

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MARRIAGE Officially tying the knot, actors Scarlett Johansson and Ryan Reynolds exchanged vows during a Canadian wedding over the weekend, celebrity-gossip.net reports.

According to an Us magazine insider, the "small wedding took place at a remote wilderness resort outside Vancouver, with the



Rihanna has designs on more than umbrellas

FASHION Rihanna is set to follow in the footsteps of fellow pop star Gwen Stefani and launch her own clothing line, first.co.uk reports. female-

The singer, who is a frequent front-row guest at runway shows, has confirmed she is working on her own designs.



has already dabbled in the accessories industry - she put her name to a range of umbrellas earlier this year to coincide with her international hit of the same

"I can't say when it will be released, but it's definitely going to happen. I'm not one to rush into anything. I want to take my time," she tells fashion publication Wwd.

Earlier this year, Rihanna hinted she was pondering a fashion line, saying, There might be a clothing line on the horizon, maybe underwear."

The star has also previously teamed up with re-tail chain H&M to design a range of casualwear as part $\tilde{\ }$ of the Fashion Against Aids campaign. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Moore's fake husband

INTERNET Julianne Moore is waging an online battle with a mystery man who claims he was once married to her, imdb.com reports.

The Oscar nominee is baffled by a posting on the Internet Movie Database. which claims she was mar-Sundar ried to Chakravarthy from 1983-1985. And she wants the world to know she has never met the web phantom. "I was in

interview, and a journalsaid.

'You've been married three times.' And I said, 'No.' She said, 'It's on the Internet, so I checked it out," Moore says, "There's a person online who claims to have been married to me from 1983 to 1985. His name

Sundar Chakravarthy. I've heard never him." Moore's real hus-

bands are John Gould Rubin, who divorced in 1995, and her current spouse Bart Freundlich.

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Oprah dismisses Carey rumour

GOSSIP Oprah Winfrey has dismissed reports Mariah Carey has cancelled an appearance on her U.S. chat show Friday, when she was allegedly set to announce she is pregnant, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The pop singer was rumoured to have booked an appearance on the show to share the news she is expecting her first child with husband Nick Cannon, according to Internet reports. But a repre-

sentative from Winfrey's production company, Harpo, insists there are no scheduled plans to have Carey on the show either now or in the immediate future.

Meanwhile. Carev's spokesperson has shot down claims the star is pregnant — a ru-mour that has plagued her since exchanging vows with Cannon in April after a whirl wind romance. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Mario Lopez pens children's book

BOOKS Actor Mario Lopez has become the latest star to pen a children's book, imdb.com reports.

The former Saved By The Bell star has written Mud Taco with his sister Marissa, about his experiences growing up.

"For fun, he and Marissa would make tacos out of mud in backvard. substituting

worms for cheese, grass for lettuce and mud for meat," a source says.

"Mario would dare Marissa to eat one, but she'd refuse. Now they're writing a book about it to teach children to be strong and creative. The new book is due

out in 2009, according to Life + Style magazine. METRO NEWS SERVICES

celebrity briefs

Locklear arrested on DWI suspicion

ARREST Actress Heather Locklear was arrested Saturday on suspicion of driving while impaired, TMZ.com reports. Locklear was pulled over while driving in the Santa Barbara, Calif., area.

Law enforcement officers have told TMZ alcohol was not involved. however, they are conducting tests to determine if Locklear was under the influence of drugs. She was released on her own recognizance yester-

day, without having to post bail. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Doherty claims she was vilified

CELEBRITY Shannen Doherty "cried herself to sleep" when negative stories were written about her, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress, who shot to fame playing Brenda Walsh in '90s TV series Beverly Hills, 90210, attracted unwanted attention as rumours of her onset spats with the show's cast and party-loving lifestyle began to surface. Doherty, 37, claims she

was unfairly vilified as she was just beȟaving like any other teenager. "I got raked over the coals.

Many nights I cried myself to sleep over that stuff.' Doherty said. METRO

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

yan Reynolds and Scarlett Johansson have gotten hitched.

We can only hope, for the sake of their publicists and our own prurient curiosities, that it is the first of many miserable and publicly contentious marriages for both of them.

The wedding was a small affair that took place at a remote wilderness resort near Vancouver with a limited guest list that included Bambi. Thumper, Friend Owl, Legolas, Bilbo Baggins, Gollum, the entire cast of The Blair Witch Project and Bigfoot. It is unknown at this time who was holding the shotgun.

Johansson is American, Reynolds is Canadian. I'm no lawyer, but when an American gets married in Canada and isn't gay, does it even count?

This marriage has taken me by surprise. I thought the Van Wilder guy would have enough common sense not to cross his ex Alanis Morissette like that. Now, he can expect to have a much less interesting time every time he goes to a movie theatre and each time he sits down to dinner and the phone rings he's going to worry it's Alanis asking for "Mr. Duplicity." He-ee, he-ee, he-ee oughta know.

As for his bride, I understood that ScarJo was too busy advising Barrack Obama on election strategy to get married. If Obama wins, will she be able to balance a new marriage and a cabinet position?

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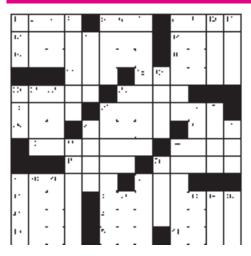






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Take Five



Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone - one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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Crossword across

- 1 Urban fleet 5 Sleep phenom, for short 8 Afflictions
- 12 Huge snake 14 \$50 "Monopoly"
- payment
- 15 Labvrinth critter
- 16 Notion
- 17 Fleur-de-18 Straighten things
- 20 Alumni
- 23 Conflagration
- 24 Charged particles 25 Least
- 28 Roscoe

- 29 Cartons
- 30 Vast expanse
- 32 Mosque tower
- 35 and crafts
- 36 Praise
- 41 Lambs' dams
- 42 Ores
- 47 Unescorted
- 48 Lift
- 49 Entreaty
- 50 Tier
- 51 Bigfoot's Asian cousin

Crossword down

- 3 Proscribe
- 5 Genetic acids, briefly 6 School's Web address
- 7 Strict disciplinarian
- 8 In the same place (Lat.)
- 10 Stead
- 11 Rebuff a masher
- Regrets"

- 22 Opposed to

- 34 Mends cuffs
- 37 No alternative?
- 40 The stuff we breathe

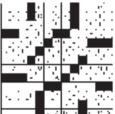
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- suffix
- 9 Gentlewoman

- 13 Cole Porter's "Miss
- 19 Eye part
- 20 Showbiz job

- 21 Wander

- 23 Repairs
- 25 Charlie McCarthy's pal
- Snerd
- 26 Secondhand 27 Note to the staff
- 29 Say "bow-wow" 31 Donkey
- 33 Extreme disgust
- 34 "Yippee!"
- 36 Ukraine capital
- 37 Iodine-rich seaweed
- 38 MPs' quarry
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- 44 Chowed down on 45 Parcel of land
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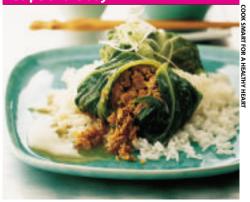
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Recipe of the day



Asian Pork and Cabbage Rolls

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 lb (500 g) extra-lean ground pork
- 1 cup (250 mL) canned water chestnuts, drained and finely chopped
- 2 tsp (10 mL) five-spice powder 1 tbsp (15 mL) finely grated fresh ginger
- 2 scallions, finely chopped
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) soy sauce 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 1 egg, beaten 8 large green cabbage leaves 2 cups (500 mL) hot reduced-
- sodium chicken broth 2 tsp (10 mL) flour
- 1 tsp (5 mL) chili sauce, or to taste (optional) Garnish: Curled strips of scal-

METHOD: 1. Place pork in a bowl and add water chestnuts, five-spice powder, ginger, scallions, soy sauce, garlic and egg. Mix thoroughly with your hands, then divide into 8 equal portions. 2. Cut tough stalks from cabbage leaves with sharp knife.

Place some pork mixture in

centre of each cabbage leaf. then wrap leaf to enclose the filling.

3. Pour broth into the bottom section of large steamer. Arrange cabbage rolls, join side down, in one layer in top section. Cover and steam for 15 minutes or until the cabbage is tender and rolls are firm when pressed. Remove top section from the steamer and keep cabbage rolls hot.

- 4. Mix flour with 2 tbsp (25 mL) water, then stir into broth. Bring to a boil and simmer, stirring constantly, until slightly thickened. Add chili sauce if desired.
- 5. Serve cabbage rolls with sauce spooned over and sprinkled with curls of scallion

SERVES 4

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Horoscopes

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20 You can enjoy strange events in weird places. Don't worry about habits that are of no concern. A man's desperate plan can be easily pulled off.

SEPT 23-OCT 23 No intervention is needed in a doubtful situation. You reveal the truth in spite of your desire to hide. You'll be aware of your

TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

A relative brings you joy and laughter. Tell the truth or you'll be caught in a foolhardy lie. A chance for success is fulfilled by taking a risk.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22
A major relationship obstacle will be obliterated. An earth-shaking announcement is important to a traveller. Look around to find private space.

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GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

A debate will have you chuckling, if you heed advice. A coworker tells an incredible story. Spend more time tending to your promises.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

Satisfaction from comes thrilling visitors. Inspire hope in a gloomy girl. Don't be ashamed of a guilty reaction.

CANCER

 (π) JUNE 22-JULY 22 The support of your friends improves a situation. Somebody's phoning will get irritating. Think hard before having a

harsh reaction. **CAPRICORN**

DEC 22-JAN 20 Don't give your power away by being angry. Discreetly explain the ending of an association. Someone's disappointment results from your message

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

Focus on making a plan for your destiny. You'll get honest praise when you earn it. A nice man calls with good news.

AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18

Be serious when it comes to being honest. Strong words are said to someone who matters. Avoid over-medicating when you're weary and ill.

AVATAR VENUS

AUG 24-SEPT 22 A peculiar tale is a distraction in the face of chaos. Emotional support is only a phone call away. Take notes whenever

someone complains. **PISCES**

FEB 19-MARCH 20

It's time to do the right thing. Start preparations to enhance a group's prestige. Show appreciation for an older man's help.

effect on other people. WORDY GURDY

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This day in history

SEPT. 29, 1657: The second War of Religion in France breaks out. SEPT. 29, 1789: The U.S. War Department first establishes a regular army with a strength of several hundred men.

SEPT. 29, 1911: Italy declares war on the Ottoman Empire. SEPT. 29, 1916: John D. Rockefeller becomes the first billionaire. SEPT. 29, 1962: Alouette 1, the first Canadian satellite, is launched. SEPT. 29, 1975: WGPR in Detroit, Michigan, becomes the world's

first black-owned-and-operated television station. SEPT. 29, 1979: Pope John Paul II became the first pope to set foot on Irish soil with his pastoral visit to the Republic of Ireland. SEPT. 29, 2004: The asteroid 4179 Toutatis passes within four lunar distances of Earth.



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